AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please rewrite paragraph [0062] of the specification as follows:

--[0062] The supply valve 13 has a body part 500, a taper part 510, a bottom face 520 and concave part 530, and is formed by injection molding of, e.g., Polypropylene. The supply valve 13 is contained in the hollow part ~~24~~34, and is placed so as to open the insertion opening 26 of the seal member 12. The body part 500 of the supply valve 13 is a nearly cylinder in shape, and the outer diameter of the body part 500 is substantially the same as the diameter of the hollow part 34. In addition, the height of the body part 500 in the sliding direction is larger than the diameter of the hollow part 34. Therefore, when the ink supply needle 36 is in contact with the supply valve 13, the supply valve 13 does not deviate from the sliding direction of the supply valve 13, and can slides along the sliding direction B smoothly. In addition, a part of the body part 500 in the shape of a cylinder is flat, but this is a position of a gate in case the supply valve 13 is formed by injection molding. The taper part 510 is tapered at an upper end of the body part 500 in the state of being contained in the hollow part 34. The bottom face 520 is formed at a lower end of the body part 500 in the state of being contained in the hollow part 34, and all the face is a flat surface. Due to this, the ink supply needle 36 is pressed to the flat surface of the bottom face 520 of the supply valve 13, so that the supply valve 13 can be moved along the sliding direction B securely. In the supply valve 13, a concave part 530 is provided from the taper part 510 to an intermediate level inside the body part 500 toward the bottom face 520. Due to this, it is possible to prevent the sink from occurring when forming the supply valve 13 by injection molding and to form the bottom face 520 in the shape of a flat surface.--

Please rewrite paragraph [0067] of the specification as follows:

--[0067] Further, according to the present embodiment, unlike the conventional method of assembling the seal member in the state the urging part and the supply valve is fitted in advance, it is not necessary to insert the fixture from the side face of the cartridge and stop the supply valve temporarily against the urging force of the urging member. Therefore, it is unnecessary to provide a hole for inserting the fixture ~~fr~~for stopping the supply valve temporarily in the ink cartridge 100. In addition, the cost of making the fixture is not needed, so that the production cost of the ink cartridge 100 is further reduced.--